

# SEASONS GREETINGS

## A Christmas Message

DEAR STUDENTS:

As I write this, I am agonizing, along with you and the rest of our countrymen, over the crisis in Iran. I pray that by the time you read this, the hostages shall have been released and the relations between the two governments shall have returned to normal.

We are on the threshold of a new year and a new decade. The 1970's will soon fade into an irretrievable past. We are grateful for the myriad blessings these years brought, and we repent of our mistakes and transgressions. We anticipate the 1980's with Christian hope and courage.

Next year is designated worldwide as "The Year of the Family". Saint Joseph's College community, in its own way, reflects many of the characteristics and qualities of a family. Many of the attachments and friendships of our undergraduate years rival in intensity and warmth those formed earlier in our home environment.

During the coming year, I would like to see all of us — students, faculty, staff, and administration — deepen our realization of the familial ties which binds one to another. Such a realization should evidence itself in an increase in loyalty, tolerance, helpfulness, forgiveness, and a mutual interest in one another's problems and progress.

Let me assure you that I remember each of you at the Altar and in my other prayers daily, but especially during this season when we commemorate the birth of the Savior. I want for each of you happiness and serenity of soul — the peace which only He can give.

A truly Happy Christmas to all of you and a most productive New Year as members of the Saint Joseph's family.

*Charles Banet, C.P.P.S.*

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President

## Garrity Explains Revisions In Campus Alcohol Policy

By MATT CAMPBELL  
& MARK HAMILTON

Dr. Robert Garrity, vice-president for academic and student affairs, has prohibited the use of alcoholic beverages at all campus functions. Anyone who wishes to consume alcoholic beverages must go to Core XI.

"We have a place on campus for students to be able to drink alcohol, and this is the place that they will have to go to do so," Dr. Garrity explains.

He says the college was not breaking any state laws prior to this prohibition but it was the students themselves who were not policing it.

"We voluntarily asked the state excise men to come to campus to discuss state policies concerning the use of alcohol on campus," Dr. Garrity begins. "After talking over as vice-president of student affairs, I realized that the present alcohol policy was not working properly and therefore something had to be done."

"Security will follow the rules of the handbook in policing this policy just as they always have done." As for the possibility of an increase in dorm drinking, Dr. Garrity notes, "Anyone who drinks illegally is tak-

ing a risk and will have to be responsible for the consequences. The use of alcohol is still prohibited in all public places.

"There are definite problems on campus everywhere in this country," Garrity affirms. "But, we have to follow the laws of the state of Indiana. Being a private institution does not permit us to operate outside the law."

Student leaders have expressed concern over the new policy.

"First, a faction of students was one of disapproval, but then they began to realize the college's legal necessity," comments Joe Sloyan, Student Association president.

Sloyan's personal reaction was one of understanding. "I agree with Dr. Garrity's reasons for restraining alcohol from social functions, and we will just have to deal with it."

It was apparent that the mixers on Nov. 30 and Dec. 1 were directly affected by the dismissal of alcohol from social functions, as attendance was low.

The elimination of beer directly affected the mixer's attendance. What the S.A. plans to do is cut mixers to two a month, thus putting more money into booking better-quality bands," adds Sloyan. "Through the leadership of R.A.'s and student senators, the no-alcohol changeover was made smoothly."

Sloyan concludes that it is up to students' imaginations and creativity to think of ways to attract student participation.

In addition to Sloyan's remarks, Claudia Donnelly, Student Senate president, added, "I understand Dr. Garrity's reasons and accept them. Student senators have also accepted the change, and I feel no major problems will arise."

### SA Election Winners

Margaret Stack (so. Jus.) was elected social vice-president and Kris Costa (so. Jus.) was chosen treasurer of the Student Association in a special election held last week. Stack is an accounting major from Whiting, Ind., and Costa is an accounting major from Hammond, Ind.

The special election was necessitated when Don Zehner and George Liggett resigned their offices just before Thanksgiving recess.

## STUFF

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## Christmas Spirit Fills Campus

By ALLISON FRANCIS  
& JANE RAYNER

Holly, mistletoe, carols, and Christmas trees — the spirit of Christmas 1979 — has descended upon Saint Joe's, bringing with it festive parties, charities, and high spirits.

Christmas celebrations began with the Christmas party Thursday, Dec. 6 and continued with the Justin-Halas Christmas dance "Frosted Fantasy" the following evening. Later that weekend, a free-dancing party sponsored by the Halas Student Union Board was held Sunday afternoon, and Saint Joe's Chorus presented its Christmas concert that same evening.

The chorus also gave a Christmas concert in Warsaw, Ind., Dec. 2, sponsored by the Halas County Arts Council. The concert was a success with the chorus performing traditional Christmas songs such as "O Holy Night" and "O Come All Ye Faithful." The program included "Christmas Lullaby" written by Lajos Bardos, the grandfather of Saint Joe students Krisztina (sr. Halas) and Azila Bardos (so. WSF). Instrumentals and vocal solos were part of the program, which concluded with the "Hallelujah Chorus" from G. F. Handel's "Messiah."

The current week's parties continued with the Education Club's Christmas party last Tuesday, plus tonight's Accounting-Finance Club Christmas party and the junior class Christmas banquet.

Upcoming Christmas celebrations include the Bennett Hall Christmas party and the sophomore class Christmas banquet Friday. On Saturday evening, the Business Club Christmas banquet will be held.

Charities are also a big part of the Christmas season. The men of Gallagher Hall proved this Dec. 6 when they held a floor hockey marathon

for 20½ hours. To reach the goal of \$2500, over 500 students gave up their dinner Dec. 5. Monetary donations were also accepted to be given to the poor of Rensselaer.

Members of the Black Student Union conducted a successful drive in November to collect food and money for the poor and shut-ins of Rensselaer. A total of 73 donations were given for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Interspersed with all of the Christmas festivities, however, there exists the infamous close of semester and final exams. As students prepare for their exams, the Christmas parties, banquets and dances will offer welcome relief to the incessant studying. Numerous holiday activities make every day seem like Christmas as winter break approaches. What better way could there be to celebrate the season?

## Saint Joe Receives Grant From HEW

Saint Joseph's College has received a \$25,861 grant from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare's Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE) to conduct an in-depth study of its innovative Core general education curriculum.

"This grant covers a period of 17 months, during which we will conduct an in-depth, longitudinal assessment of our Core program," explains Dr. John Nichols, Core curriculum coordinator. "We will probe the question 'What happens to the student as he or she progresses through the ten segments of Core over eight semesters?'"

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# Christmas Spirit Shows

Christmas is here again and the season's spirit is in the air — a time of sharing, giving, good friends and good times — a time of the year where everyone gives of themselves to help those less fortunate.

Once again, Saint Joseph's students have taken an active part in this year's drive to help the needy.

We see students' concern in dorms, such as that of Gallagher Hall, hosting its annual floor hockey marathon to help the needy of the Rensselaer area.

The Food Service and the students who gave up their meal Dec. 5 deserve a special thanks for their contribution to the success of the floor hockey marathon.

Others show their concern by sponsoring food drives, such as that of the Black Student Union. Boxes are now in the dorms and in Halleck Center for students as well as faculty to donate goods to help needy persons.

The boxes aren't going to fill themselves, so it is up to the generosity of the students and faculty to make the food drive a success.

Through the concern of dorms and organizations, like that of Gallagher Hall and the BSU, a Merry Christmas will be shared by ALL.

We hope others will join in the holiday spirit and prove that Saint Joe's is people — people caring for others.

## Short Stuff

### Spread Holiday Feeling

By MONIQUE LACOUTURE

Much can always be said about the Christmas holiday season; in fact, it all begins even before Halloween is over and the Thanksgiving turkey has been carved. Before you know it, you're being caught up in the mystical spirit of Christmas—and you haven't even mailed your Christmas cards yet!

Christmas has always had a special effect upon just about everyone in the world; cease-fires and truces have been called during wartime, and even the most staunch enemies find some reason to bury the hatchet during this season. Christmas is truly the season to be jolly, but it's also a time to sit back and reflect upon events which have shaped the past year and how we might be able to improve and prepare for the year to come.

It seems strange that one man could have brought all this commotion. Of course that

one man was Jesus. It is for Him that we celebrate this holiday, in remembrance of how He was born and how He died for our salvation. He gave His life for us; at Christmas, each of us always gives a little something to others, whether in the form of gifts or just a bit of good cheer.

This idea of giving, as we gave of each other during that time, should not be restricted to bad times and holidays. It's a feeling which should be given freely throughout the year, every day of the year. The Christmas season is always an ideal time to begin, since we seem to be caught up in the spirit anyway. From this time and right through the new year, let's make a resolution to make each day a bit of Christmas and to give of ourselves in every way possible.

To each and everyone: a very Merry, Safe, and Holy Christmas and a Happy New Year.



Dr. Robert Garrity (left) explained Saint Joseph's alcohol policy to members of the Student Senate during that group's meeting Nov. 27 in the ballroom. At right is Claudia Donnelly (sr.-Jus.), who is president of the senate.

(Photo by Donn Proctor)



# Letters To The Editors

Dear Editors:

As a proud resident of Schwieterman Hall, I have almost completed three semesters here at Saint Joseph's College. I have learned many things here, academically as well as spiritually, and looking back thus far it has been a good experience.

But, I get disgusted at times with the attitudes toward the college seminarians. I feel like I am looked at and talked to differently because of my vocation, and I get frustrated as to why.

Are people afraid of us? Are they insecure around us? What is the big hangup?

We are preparing for our life's work here at Saint Joe's, just like everyone else is. So I can't see why anyone would use my being a seminarian against me.

If it was not for the Precious Blood seminary program, there would be no Saint Joseph's College. If it was not for the Precious Blood

priests who yield nine-tenths of their salaries back to the college, this institution could not run. Seminarians have been here at Joe's for over 90 years and are here to stay.

Although we are a small group of students, we are an active, participating member of this Student Association and our Little 500 victory last spring proves it.

As seminarians, we experience the same emotions that everyone else does. A lot of people may not understand what we are doing and why, but they should support us in our decision like we should support you in yours. People might benefit from our becoming priests in the future, because a lot of people depend on their priests.

We are not the dying breed that a lot of people think. We are not just seminarians, we are Precious Blood seminarians and damn proud of it!

Sincerely,  
A Proud Mongie

Dear Editors:

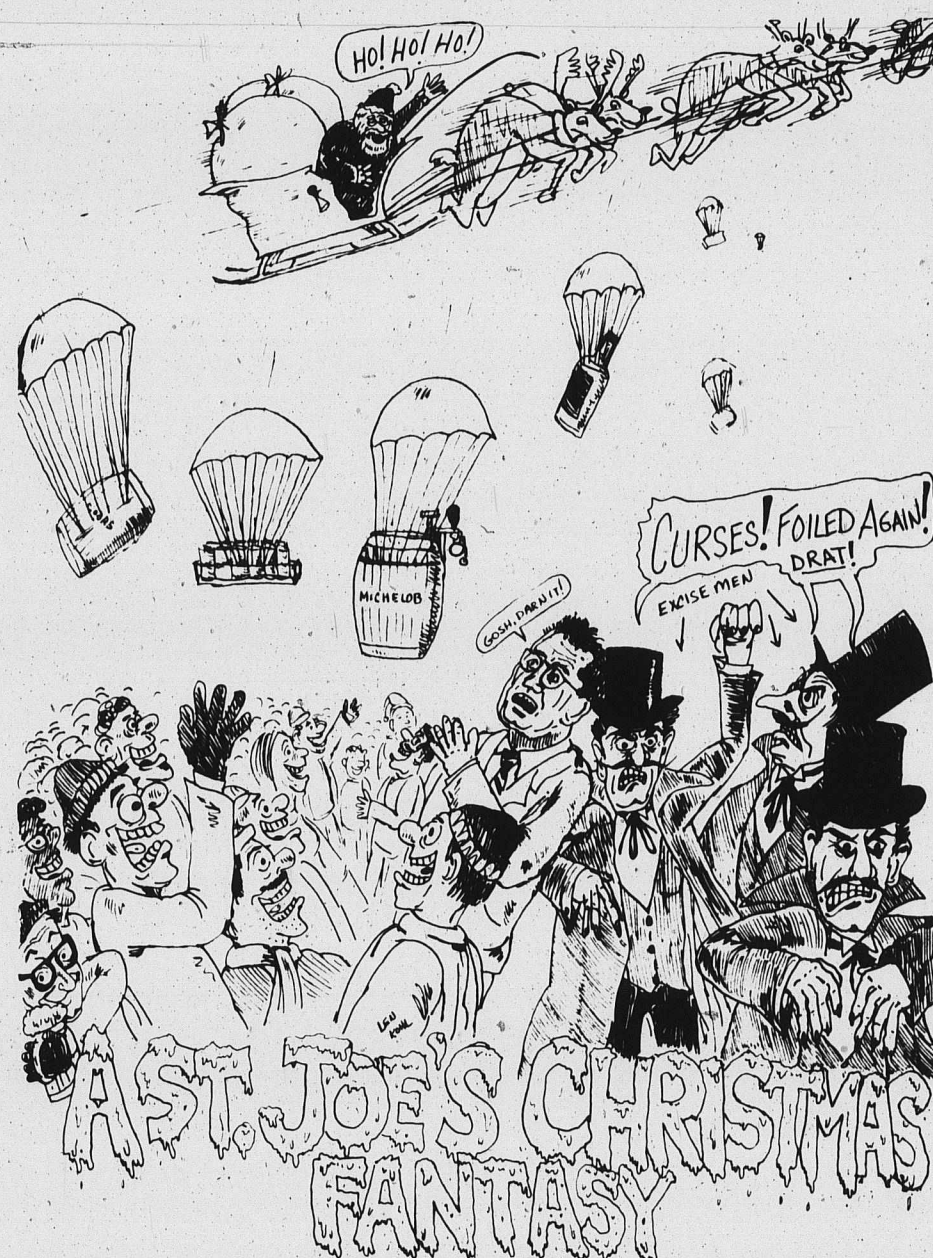
"Congratulations" and a special Scrooge Award belong to the imbeciles who vandalized the attractive Christmas wreaths that graced our main campus entrance the night of Monday, Nov. 26. That's right — they hung for one night and no more. College workmen placed the wreaths on the brick entrance facade the afternoon of Nov. 26, and by dawn Nov. 27, they were gone. The following day, one wreath was found near the campus powerhouse; the other was found hanging on the front of Noll Hall. These vandals deprived the overall campus of an attractive bit of outdoor Christmas cheer; may a crazed reindeer use their beds for a litter box on Christmas eve.

Sincerely,  
Santa Claus

## In Memoriam

Dan Mauch, junior from St. John, Ind., died Nov. 8 in an accident near campus. Stuff expresses its condolences and prayers to his family, relatives and many friends. Father William Stang said it best during the following eulogy Nov. 9:

"The Buck stopped here. Bucky was a gift. We didn't do anything to earn Bucky's friendship, it was freely given. Bucky's gift was that he liked us and didn't worry about our faults. His gift is now making people happy somewhere else. If you want to know Dan, just look at his friends; we all have a piece of him. The Buck stopped here. We worked together to get each other ready for the really big one and just like Bucky, he beat us to it. He lived to the max and could not have had a better send-off to his new life surrounded by his friends. Yeah, the Buck stopped here. We're sad that you're gone but I thank God that we had a chance to be friends. Thanks for sharing your gift."



## SJC Receives Grant . . .

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"There are many studies of growth in the college years, so there is no lack of data from other places with which we can make comparisons," he adds. "We want to find out what growth in students is helped particularly by the Core approach, as well as what things we're missing, so that we can further improve our Core program."

Dr. Nichols explains that the study should yield findings that will be brought to the attention of the national audience reached via FIPSE. Publications, national conferences and meetings across the country are part of this FIPSE project, under which 14 associate institutions (out of 173 applicants) were funded to conduct studies of successful new programs in liberal education.

FIPSE's assistant secretary for education, Mary Berry, explains that the University of Michigan is the resource institution for the project.

The 14 associate institutions, including Saint Joseph's, will examine programs on their campuses and convene as a national task force to address the prospects and problems of liberal education in the years ahead.

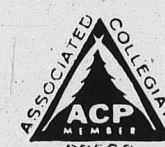
FIPSE acting director Dr. Charles Bunting says "These projects represent the most diverse group of liberal learning programs ever brought together for common purposes. Clearly the notion that liberal education is the exclusive province of the young and of the privileged has been disproven by their very selection."

Grants in the overall FIPSE project total \$449,946.

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# Puma Women Defeat IUSE, Marion

By ED FISETTE

Saint Joseph's women's basketball team opened its 1979-80 season Nov. 30 with a 62-52 victory over Indiana-Southeast in the first game of the Vincennes Tourney, then dropped the tourney title match to Bellarmine, 79-56.

In the championship game, SJC shot only 29 percent

from the field, hitting 29-83 shots and ten of 16 free throws for 63 percent. Meanwhile, Bellarmine made 28-58 shots from the field for 48 percent and were 23 of 41 from the line for 74 percent.

Jennifer Voreis led the Puma attack with 20 points and 12 rebounds. Nancy Scott and Pam Bell were the other

Pumas in double figures as they tallied 11 and ten points, respectively.

For her performance in both games, Voreis was chosen to the all-tourney team. She scored 15 points and grabbed seven caroms in the IUSE game.

During the first six minutes of the IUSE game, Saint Joe scored neither a field goal nor a free throw and consequently fell behind 12-0. IUSE's biggest lead was 20-7 with just ten minutes gone in the first half. The Pumas outscored IUSE 24-14 before the half to go to the locker room down by only 34-31.

Other than Voreis, Linda Radivan was the only Puma in double figures for the game; she contributed ten points and five rebounds.

"Overall, I'm quite pleased with the way we came back and shut them down in the second half," said SJC coach Susan Buntin. "It was a good way to start the season."

Saint Joseph's improved its season record to 2-1 here last Friday by virtue of a stirring 62-61 victory over Marion. SJC displayed poise and confidence in the home stretch to stave off a late Marion rally.

Next up on the Pumas' schedule is a Dec. 15 date against Illinois Benedictine in Alumni Fieldhouse. Three tough away games follow — Anderson (Jan. 10), Indiana Central (Jan. 12) and Notre Dame (Jan. 16).



Neville Brown (44) of the Pumas soars toward the hoop a second before stuffing home two points during SJC's game here Dec. 4 against Eastern Illinois. At left are Gary Plamondon of the Pumas and Rick Robinson of the Panthers. (Photo by John Staunton)

## Cagers Await Loop Foes

December is to Saint Joseph's basketball team what carburetion tests are to the Indianapolis 500: a shakedown cruise designed to iron out any problems before the big race begins.

For the Pumas, "the big race" starts Jan. 12 when a visit to Indiana Central launches the chase for the Great Lakes Valley Conference championship.

After this Saturday's home clash with Northeastern Illinois, the Pumas hit the road for matches with 1979 NCAA Great Lakes Regional foe Wright State on Dec. 20, Northern Kentucky on Dec. 22 and Tri-State on Jan. 2. First-time foe Oakland University of Rochester, Mich., comes calling Jan. 5, then Northern Kentucky visits Alumni Fieldhouse Jan. 7, the first class day of the second semester. Division I toughie Butler will be here Jan. 9 before the Pumas begin their conference schedule. Wright State follows Indiana Central in a Jan. 16 home game.

Hoping to avenge a 76-66 loss at the hands of the Pumas in last year's NCAA Great Lakes Regional, Eastern Illinois came to Alumni Fieldhouse Dec. 4 with blood in their eyes and claimed an 82-69 victory.

Saint Joe jumped out to an early 4-0 lead in an evenly-played first half that saw neither team lead by more than the initial four points of the game. The halftime advantage belonged to the Pumas, 30-29.

Coach George Waggoner's Pumas opened their season on a winning note by defeating Grace, 70-64, here Dec. 1.

"Two of our team goals for tonight were to hold Grace to 65 points or less, and to out-rebound them by up to 15 rebounds," Waggoner stated.

"We achieved both goals, but our offense wasn't shooting well enough to strongly supplement this defense, and our rebounding was not as effective as we wanted it to be in the first half.

Hillsdale won the Puma 100 Classic here last weekend.



Saint Joseph's Katie Flynn (30) slips past a pair of Marion defenders for a layup during the Pumas' 62-61 win over the Giants here last Friday. (Photo by Donn Proctor)

## IM's Convert From Fall To Winter Sports

By DAN RODRIGUEZ

Saint Joseph's College intramural sports program has converted itself from the fall outdoor sports to the winter indoor sports such as floor hockey, basketball for men and women, and bowling. Competition is good and spirit runs high among the many IM participants.

### FLOOR HOCKEY

The WSF Rednecks (3-2) are

in first place. Jack Emerson of the Noll Stoned Ponies is the leading scorer in this highly-competitive league with three goals and two assists.

### BASKETBALL

IM basketball is broken into two leagues. There is an A-B league with 12 teams and a C league with 22 teams. Leaders in the A-B league are Merlini Units (4-0), WSF Penthouse Punks (3-0), and WSF Warriors (3-0).

## PUMA PRINTS

### Javier, Tito Adjusting

By BRAD CANGANY

Saint Joseph's men's basketball team of 1979-80 features players from a wide range of backgrounds. Not only do the Pumas have players from the midwest, but from such areas as Pennsylvania, Wisconsin and Puerto Rico. Featured from Puerto Rico are senior Javier Villeta and freshman Sebastian Banuchi.

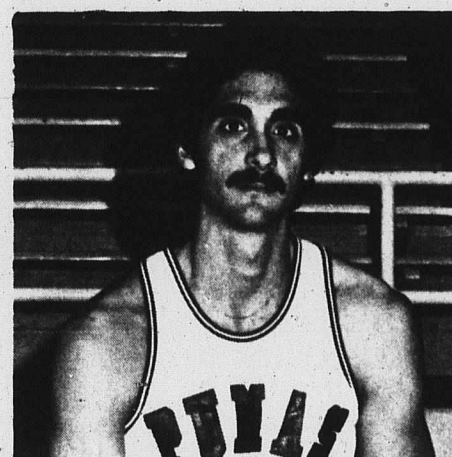
Although basketball is the most popular sport in Puerto Rico, it is still in its developing stage. Because of this, both Villeta and Banuchi see playing college basketball in the United States as a goal for most Puerto Rican players.

Villeta reports, "In Puerto Rico, players don't start playing as young as they do here. When I came to Saint Joe's, I could barely play basketball. Saint Joe's has been a step up for me and has helped improve my skills."

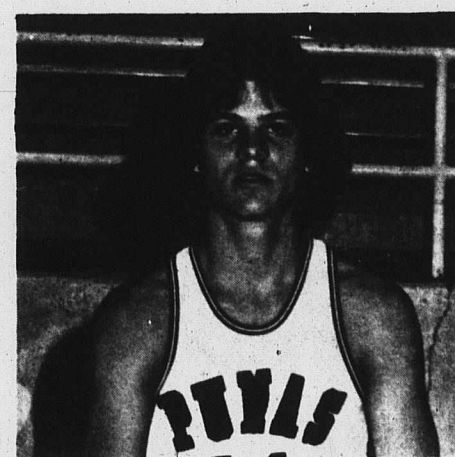
Adds Banuchi, "Coaching for younger players isn't as good in Puerto Rico as here. If a young player from Puerto Rico wants to be good, he has to do it on his own."

Basketball is definitely improving in Puerto Rico. Only ten years ago, the island's summer league played most of its games outside and had to rely on college coaches to guide the teams. Now indoor facilities are springing up each year and the players are becoming less dependent on United States' coaches.

It was from this summer league, incidentally, that the Puerto Rico—Saint Joseph's connection was originally made.



JAVIER VILLETA



SEBASTIAN BANUCHI

In 1970, then-Puma coach Jim Holstein saw Jim Thordsen play in the summer league and recruited him for Saint Joe's. Thordsen established himself as one of the greatest players ever to wear a Saint Joseph's uniform. During his standout career as a Puma, he received Little All-American honors and represented Puerto Rico in the 1972 and 1976 Olympic Games. He is the Pumas' all-time leading scorer with 2148 career points.

Thordsen was a major influence in convincing Villeta and Banuchi to attend Saint Joseph's. After Thordsen graduated, Saint Joe's instituted a scholarship in his name and Villeta is the first recipient of it.

In Puerto Rico, basketball is governed by international rules. Although there are differences between international and college rules, neither Villeta nor Banuchi have had much trouble adjusting to playing here. Villeta explains, "International rules allow a more rugged game and there is a shot clock which forces a quicker tempo than in college ball. College ball has more finesse and since I'm used to international rules I foul too much." Banuchi agrees with Villeta and adds, "The players here are much bigger than at home. I'm not used to playing against so many tall players."

Puma coach George Waggoner comments on their adjustment, "From a coaching point of view, I've had little trouble with their switch to college ball. Due to the international rules' different interpretation of basic fundamentals, Javier and Tito have had to break what we consider bad habits. For example, international rules interpret traveling differently than college rules. International rules allow an extra step and we don't. The guys have to get used to not taking that extra step. Besides little things like this, there are few troubles for Javier and Tito."

Leaders in the C league National Division include the Noll Stoned Ponies (4-0), Gallagher German Helmets (3-0), Noll Whalers (4-1), and ESF 8 Butts and 16 Nutts (4-1). Leaders in the C league American Division are the Gallagher French Tickers (5-0), Noll Experience (4-0), Gallagher Last Champ Dogs (3-0), and Bennett Hazel's Nuts (3-1).

### BOWLING

In the Tuesday league com-

petition, the Gutter Gunners (10-2) are in first place. The Gunners are followed by both the Outlaws (6-6) and Two Drink Minimum (6-6). The Wednesday league's leading team is the 16-Pound Balls (8-4). The Stoned Ponies are in second place. In the Thursday league, the Stokers (9-3) are in first place while Noll Experience (8-4) is in second place. Head's Up (7-5) is running third.



# Brother Ric Rejuvenates Art Program

What's new in Saint Joseph's curriculum this year? For one thing, art is off to a refreshing boost under the direction of Brother Ric Presar, instructor in art, who is steadily converting Raleigh Hall into a combination learning center-gallery that ideally suits the needs of a new and growing art program.

During the current semester, Brother Ric is teaching a course in drawing and another in ceramics and sculpture. "We have 12 students enrolled in the drawing class, and I am quite satisfied with their enthusiasm and desire to learn a skill which has not been part of our college curriculum for several years," he explains.

"Our ceramics / sculpture

workshop is basically for the beginner — it is designed to show students how clay works, what clay is made of, and what an artist can do with clay. This is not a mold work course; we are primarily concerned with the hand working of clay and giving students a firm understanding of the basics."

Brother Ric says the workshop is similar to an introductory course in that students can build off this course and advance to other areas, such as sculpture, wheel work and Raku work. Wheel work uses a flat spinning wheel as the base for structuring works of art, and Raku work is a form of Japanese ceramics.

"In Raku work, a special

type of clay is employed; the clay body is made first, then the artist makes whatever he/she wants to on top of this," he explains. "A Raku glaze is put over this and then the work of art is fired for about 20 minutes in a kiln, which is a brick-lined oven used to bake ceramics."

This is a much shorter time than for many other ceramics, which sometimes require eight hours in a kiln. After firing, the art object is immediately placed in a sawdust-and-leaf mixture where burning and smoldering continues for a short period of time.

"When the fire is smothered, the glazed object is put into water immediately; this process takes about 30 minutes to be completely finished, whereas stoneware takes at least eight hours," Brother Ric reports. "The Raku pro-

cess results in a very shiny, smooth finish."

Ten students are enrolled in the ceramics / sculpture workshop, and Brother Ric says this figure, plus the 12 in the drawing class, is an ideal number to work with. "Our equipment is limited, and we wouldn't want too many students; moreover, a relatively low number of students enables me to give each student's work undivided attention and assistance."

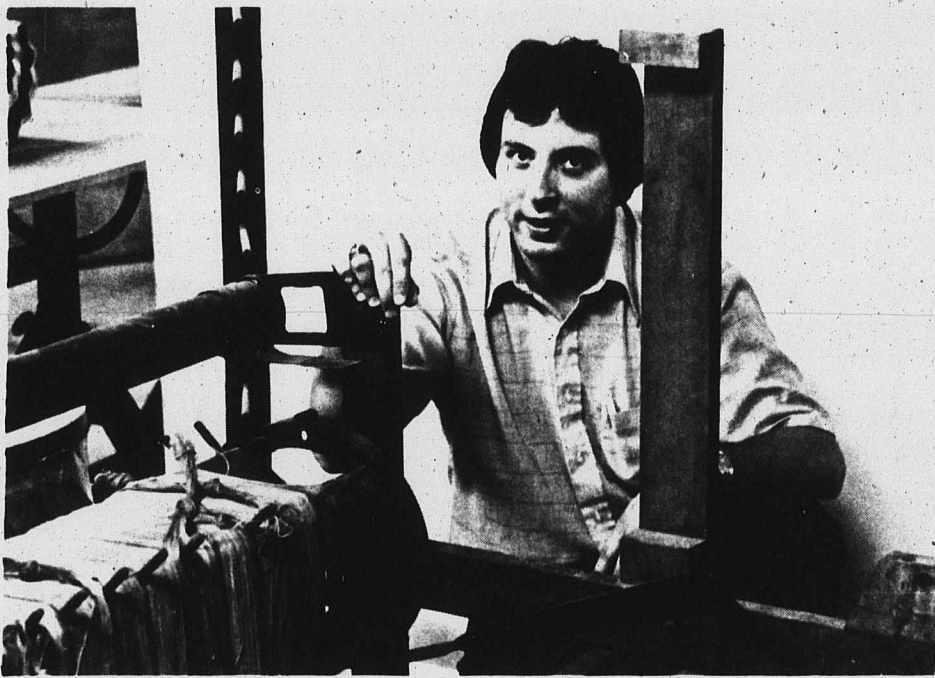
Students' efforts in art were displayed during Saint Joseph's Fine Arts Week this fall, and as he looks to the future, Brother Ric sees continued growth and improvement in art on the campus.

"I'm planning to add a weaving course very soon; we do have a loom here and I hope to build some hand looms before the start of the

second semester," he comments. "I'm also hoping a course in Batik work will soon be possible here; this art form is done with material, dyes and wax, and is most interesting."

Next semester, Brother Ric plans to offer a beginners' class and a more advanced class in drawing, plus an introductory course in painting. Moreover, the current ceramics / sculpture workshop will be divided into separate classes, thus offering students more attention in each area.

"After we build a couple more wheels, I hope to offer a course in wheel work," he adds. "This is an art form that I want to involve myself in again soon. I like to be able to do what I'm teaching students, because it is important that we practice our art and thereby become still better teachers."



Brother Ric Presar, instructor in art, poses with an antique studio floor loom that will be used to help in the introduction of weaving sessions to Saint Joseph's art curriculum during the second semester. Rug making and wall designs will be part of the curriculum. (Photo by Donn Proctor)

## Social Preview

By BRAD LEITCH

I attended a very interesting senate meeting recently, but unfortunately the chair failed to recognize this degree of interest.

It's nice to see that so many people enjoyed the mixers without beer. Say a prayer for those students who are now traveling across state lines and back in search of liquid refreshment; another prayer goes to those teetotalers who are now confined to a dorm full of beer parties.

P.S. — Put Father Froelich to bed — I think he's had enough.

Special note: Dr. John Posey has announced he is organizing a study tour to the People's Republic of China for May 12-28, 1980. Cost of the 17-day tour is \$2495 from San Francisco, and the tour calls for stops at most of China's leading social, cultural and historical centers. Anyone desiring details should contact Dr. Posey.

### CINEMA

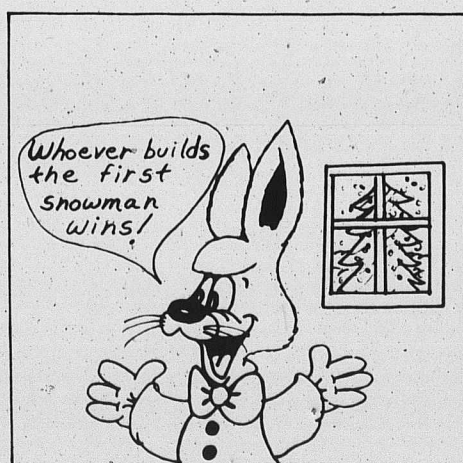
Sunday, Dec. 16, auditorium, 7:30 and 10 p.m. **Murder By Decree.**

### SOCIAL EVENTS

Friday, Dec. 14, SA social event, Raleigh Hall, 8:30 p.m. Bennett Hall Christmas party and sophomore Christmas party-banquet, chapel cafe, 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 15, ballroom mixer, 9:30 p.m., sponsored by the Accounting-Finance Club. Business Club Christmas banquet, chapel cafe, 4:30 p.m.

### ANIMAL DORM



by John Burrell

## 'Twas The Night Before Finals

'Twas the night before finals and all through the hall

Everyone was studying. It was a sight to shock all.

The books were all spread on the desks and the beds

In the hopes that the answers would stick in our heads.

The notes were nestled all snug in our hand

Giving visions of info we must understand,

And me with my Puma-burger and canned Mountain Dew

Had just settled down for a cumulative review.

When out on the campus there arose such a clatter

I sprang from my desk to see what was the matter.

Away to the window I flew like a maid

Tore open the curtains and threw up the shade.

The light on the pole near the buried sidewalk

Was so dirty the snow had the appearance of chalk.

And how my tiring eyes were shook from their rest

By the sight of a sled holding my final tests.

With a little old driver dressed in quite strange decor

I knew in a moment I'd never seen him before.

More rapid than turtles my courses he named

And whistled and shouted and called them by name.

Now Chemistry, now English, now Calculus and Bio

On Accounting, on Marketing, on Psychology and Theo.

To the top of the chapel he flew with his buddies

To dash away, dash away, dash away studies.

As snowflakes before the wild blizzard fly

When they meet with an obstacle mount to the sky.

So up to my window my courses they flew

With a sled full of answers and the unknown guy, too.

And in an enlightenment I heard in my mind

The questions on my finals and the answers to find.

As I drew in my head and was turning around

Through the window he came with an awful loud sound.

He was dressed all in red from his head to his toe

And his clothes were all covered with the new-fallen snow.

The bundle of tests he had stuck in his hood

And he looked as silly as anyone could.

His eyes were all bloodshot, his dimples looked dumb

His cheeks were quite sallow, his nose like a plum.

His white little teeth were as straight as a comb

And his dandruff-filled hair was whiter than foam.

The stump of a tree he held tight in his jaws

And he made funny noises that sounded like caws.

He had a broad neck stuck on very round shoulders

And the size of his feet I'd compare them to boulders.

He was unstable and fat, a right jolly old oaf

And I laughed at the thought that there was such a growth.

A tick of his eye and a twist of his head

Soon gave me to know I had something to dread.

He spoke not a word, I don't think he could

But gave me my answers then pulled down his hood.

And lifting his clogs on the floor he thumped

Then giving a grunt out the window he jumped.

He sprang to his sled to his ducks gave a whistle

And they waddled off with the speed of a missile.

But I heard him howl ere he flew through a wall

Good luck on your finals and a passing grade after all.

I sat stunned for a moment 'til I got straight in my head

That I'd studied too much and it was now time for bed.

Cheryl Ertelt



"Greaser Weekend" took Saint Joe students back two decades into the fifties as white shirts and long skirts dominated the dance floor Dec. 1 in the Halleck Center ballroom. (Photo by John Staunton)